

The News Wishes its Readers and Other Patrons a
Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Baxter Springs News.

Phone No. 9. Central will plug you in at any time. Give us the news, and we will make the News newsy. See?

\$1. a year in advance. Of course, if you are a borrower, it costs you less. If you know some news, tell it to us.

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If You Want Anything In

HARDWARE

Go to MICHENER'S

We carry everything in Hardware, from a harness needle to the highest priced Range.

We have in stock three kinds of Oil Stoves, the Perfection, the Monarch, and the New Process. all first class stoves.

We have Garden and Field Seeds in their season.

Barb and Smooth Wire; Poultry and Stock; Wire Nails; Guns; Ammunition; Pocket Knives; all kinds of Builder's Hardware, and 10,000 other things kept in a first-class hardware store.

Yours for Business,

E. M. MICHENER.

THIS WEEK'S PRICE LIST AT Cooper's Grocery

Oranges, per dozen	15c to 50c
Apples, per peck	25c to 25c
Lemons, dozen	20c
One can hominy	05c
One pound shelled pop corn	05c
24 lbs. Queen of Lyons flour	75c
48 lbs. Queen of Lyons flour	1.45
24 lbs. Red Star flour	80c
48 lbs. Red Star flour	1.60
Can sauer kraut, 10c, 3 for	25c
Can pumpkin, 10c, 3 for	25c
10 bars Diamond C soap for	25c
Can Truegood peas 10c, 3 for	25c
2 packages Rersil washing powder	05c

COOPER GROCERY

JIM HARMON, Straw Boss.

Phone 197

CAR OWNERS!

Your Overhauling Bill Last Spring
came due all at once, didn't it?

Avoid This

Suppose this winter you have a little overhauling done each month, then none of your bills will be large.

To keep an efficient force we must employ them the year round. To have the same man always work on your car we must employ him the year round.

We want to retain our force and give you first class service the year round.

This will be impossible unless you have your overhauling done during the winter months by the

Ozark Trail Garage

John I. Cooper, Manager.

Phone 266.

Announcement! Not to Come Back.

Special January Sale

Jan. 8 to 15 Inclusive

Beginning Saturday, January 8th and continuing to and including Saturday, January 15, we will inaugurate our first January Special Sale.

Full particulars and prices in next weeks issue of the Baxter Springs News.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year is Our Wish to All.

McWILLIAMS

5c, 10c and 25c STORE
Baxter Springs, Kansas.

The department of justice is going to start an inquiry as to why such outrageous prices are being charged for gasoline.

To Enforce the Law

Marshal Horton desires us to serve notice upon the speeders that it is his intention henceforth to enforce the law against the fellows who drive their cars faster than the law allows.

Why speak of the scythe and the hour glass
As the bards so long have sung?
Why should we notice how time may pass,
So long as the soul is young?
Let wrinkles come and the head grow gray—
It's never a cause for tears,
For Methuselah hoped, and he laughed, no doubt,
When he had nine hundred years.

—Phil Eastman.

Vigilance Committee.

The continued lawlessness of the Oklahoma bootleggers in the hogging of the roads and other forms of deviltry are becoming very trying to the good people of this part of the country, and the shooting of a couple of fellows last Friday night by the same sort of outlaws is the cap sheet of the whole caboodle of events.

True, the fellows who were shot may not be any better than the fellows who did the shooting, but no questions were asked by the shooters. And when outlaws will drive up along side a car and go to shooting at the occupants they are not particular enough, and it may be real good people who get shot the next time.

A first class vigilance committee makes its own laws, and the laws of such an organization are very effective.

It is becoming more and more apparent that the local authorities are not able to cope with the situation.

25 Million.

This section of the country, the mineral part of Missouri-Kansas-Oklahoma district, has produced during the year 1915 more than twenty-five million dollars worth of wealth.

This is more wealth than was ever produced in the famous Klondike gold district in any one year.

When it is considered that the mineral section of this country which is developed is not to exceed fifty miles in length, and not more than ten miles in width, if the section was in that shape, it will be seen that it covers not more than five hundred square miles, or not more than five hundred sections, which means that each section has produced wealth to the amount of \$50,000.

And the high prices for ore have not covered more than half of the year, either. Had the present high prices prevailed all the year the value would run up in the neighborhood of thirty-five millions.

If the present high prices of ore shall continue during the year just opening the last day of next December will see a value of fifty millions for the year, for new fields are opening inside of the ten by fifty miles area.

Six Months in Jail

Ed. Chevalier, who was arrested on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of his children, mention of which was made in this paper last week, tried before Probate Judge Ellis one day last week and found guilty as charged. He was sentenced to six months in jail, and the only way he can get out in less than six months is to give a bond for \$1200 that he will pay \$20 per month toward the support of his children during their minority.

It is our guess that Chevalier is in for six months.

Okla. Outlaws Again

Last Thursday night about 9:30 o'clock Claude Phelps, Fred Simpson and a man named Jackson were coming from Joplin in an automobile, and when near the site of the old Commons blacksmith shop, about a mile and a half northeast of town they were overtaken by a car containing four men and a woman. The latter car's occupants opened fire on the other fellows, and commanded them to get out of the car and make themselves scarce in that neighborhood. The shooters' car went on for quite a distance. The fellows who were ordered to hike did so in quick order, and then the other car and its occupants came back, and rummaged the victims' car. Not finding what they were after, they left, and the victims, who had crawled through a hedge, came back to their car and came on to town.

Phelps was shot through both legs, and was left at the Ozark Trail Garage, where he was attended by Dr. Boswell. Jackson was shot in the calf of the left leg, but he, with Simpson, went on to Commerce, where they live. Phelps was taken to Commerce next morning.

Phelps says the fellows who did the shooting made no command for them to hold up their hands, but began shooting without any notice. He says he thinks he knows one of the fellows, and if the Cherokee county authorities take the proper interest in the matter he will give them the best information he has.

A Bad Wreck.

Last Friday morning a bad railroad wreck occurred at Galena, when a M. O. & G. passenger train crashed into the rear end of a Frisco passenger train. The Frisco train was standing at the Frisco depot in Galena, when the M. O. & G. train came from the curve east of the depot at a speed of twenty-five miles per hour. The fireman, seeing that a collision was inevitable, leaped from the cab and struck a switch stand. He was so badly hurt it is thought he will die. The engineer stuck to his post and was not injured.

About twenty-five passengers in the rear car of the Frisco train were more or less hurt, but it is thought all will recover.

The car was turned up on end against the depot.

Building Railroad.

We understand a grading crew commenced work Monday morning at Picher, and that another one commenced work at Commerce. The crews are M. O. & G. crews, and the idea is to get the link between Picher and Commerce built just as soon as possible, so as to get control of the freight business at Picher, which is growing every day.

The line from Picher to connect with the M. O. & G. main line will be built later on.

E. T. Bingham and wife of Ramah, Colo., were here last week visiting relatives. Mr. Bingham is a brother of I. N. and W. R. Bingham of Quapaw.

Happy New Year!

We Extend to Our Friends and Patrons Our Best Wishes For a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

and we hope for the same liberal patronage in the future we have enjoyed in the past.

Come in and hear that master musical instrument, the

EDISON DIAMOND DISC
PHONOGRAPH.

J. W. GRANTHAM,

Pianos, Talking Machines, Cigars, Tobaccos, Candies.

To Our Customers

There Are Many of You.

That we appreciate your patronage, your loyalty and steadfastness, fully as much as you appreciate the help we have at times been able to furnish you, goes without saying.

However, we want to take this public method of thanking you for past patronage and, with full confidence that this patronage will continue, we pledge you our best endeavors in the future as you have had them in the past.

Wishing you an increased measure of Happiness and Prosperity for the year 1916, we are

Sincerely yours,

The

Baxter National Bank

WE ARE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK

Which Road?

You are at the forks of the road. The guidepost names one "Economy" and the other "Extravagance." Which road are you going to take? Economy leads to Success. Extravagance leads to Failure.

Are you going to take the road to Success and Prosperity? The first milestone is a bank account—it acts as a check against extravagance. The safe, sane way for a man to live is to work hard and always save a part of what he earns, and bank that part. Nothing can stop that sort of a man on his road to Success. Are you that kind? Don't put off starting—come in today and open an account. We will help you over the rough spots.

OURS IS THE ONLY BANK IN BAXTER
SPRINGS IN WHICH DEPOSITS ARE
GUARANTEED.

Baxter State Bank

Shooting at Quapaw.

Last Thursday morning about 2 o'clock A. B. Pease went to his home at Quapaw and found a man named Simmons there. He shot him through the arm, but in justification he says Simmons was about to hit him with a hammer. Pease is in jail in default of bond, but Simmons will get well.

Debt Paid Off.

The Christian church at Columbus is out of debt. R. A.

Long, a former Columbusite, who now lives in Kansas City, sent the church a check for \$1300, the amount of the indebtedness, and there is much joy in the church circles at Columbus.

On Payments.

I have a number of fine building lots which I will sell at mighty low prices, on payments. Many of the lots have nice shade trees on them. If you want something of this kind, see me, and we will arrange the terms.
Chas. L. Smith.